## RECOVERY ACT LESSONS— STRENGTHENING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management held a hearing on EDA: Lessons Learned From the Recovery Act and New Plans to Strengthen Economic Development. Testimony was heard from John R. Fernandez, Assistant Secretary, Economic Development, Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3257, Military Family Leave Act of 2009; H.R. 3484, To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the authority for certain qualifying work-study activities for purposes of the educational assistance programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs; H.R. 3579, To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an increase in the amount of the reporting fees payable to educational institutions that enroll veterans receiving educational assistance from the Department of Veterans Affairs; H.R. 3813, Veterans Training Act; H.R. 3948, Test Prep for Heros Act; H.R. 3976, Helping Heroes Keep Their Homes Act of 2009; H.R. 4079, To amend title 38, United States Code, to temporarily remove the requirement for employers to increase wages for veterans enrolled in on-the-job training programs; H.R. 4203, To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of the Veterans Affairs to provide veterans certain educational assistance payments through direct deposit; H.R. 4359, WARMER Act; H.R. 4469, To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to provide for protection of child custody arrangements for parents who are members of the Armed Forces deployed in support of a contingency operation; and H.R. 4592, To provide for the establishment of a pilot program to encourage the employment of veterans in energy-related positions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Putnam, Hall of New York, Sestak, Smith of Washington and Turner; COL. Shawn Shumake, USA, Director, Office of Legal Policy, Office of the Under Secretary, (Personnel and Readiness), Program Integration and Legal Policy, Department of Defense; Keith M. Wilson, Director, Education Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

#### CYBER SECURITY DEFENSE BRIEFING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Cyber Security Defense. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

# Joint Meetings No joint committee meetings were held.

# COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, **FEBRUARY 26, 2010**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the Office of Professional Responsibility Investigation into the Office of Legal Counsel Memoranda, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Veterans Affairs, 9:30 a.m., SR-418.

# House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Medical Radiation: An Overview of the Issues, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, and the Committee on Small Business, joint hearing entitled "Condition of Small Business and Commercial Real Estate Lending in Local Markets," 9 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on Radicalization Analysis, 9 a.m., and executive, briefing on Fiscal Year 2011 Intelligence Budget for Research and Development, 11 a.m., 304-HVC.

#### Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine the road to economic recovery, focusing on prospects for jobs and growth, 10:30 a.m., SH-216.